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Subject: Proposal of Boutique Air to Replace SkyWest at Handcock/Houghton

Attachments: Boutique Air Houghton Bid Proposal 2022.pdf

Hi All,

I would like to update you on the Essential Air Service (EAS) situation at Handcock/Houghton, as well as give you an opportunity to offer any comments on the record before we submit a recommendation to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs.

As you may know, we issued Order 2022-3-8 (March 11, 2022), requesting proposals to replace SkyWest's EAS, which the air carrier provided notice on March 10, 2022 of its intent to terminate. Per that order, the Department prohibited SkyWest from terminating its service until replacement EAS can be secured. The initial due date for proposals was April 11 and later extended until May 18. In response to our request, we received a proposal from Boutique Air, Inc.

I have attached that proposal for your review, and it will be available later on www.regulations.gov. I request that you review Boutique's proposal and submit any comments you may have as soon as possible, but no later than June 21, 2022. Please send your comments directly via e-mail to scott.faulk@dot.gov and kevin.schlemmer@dot.gov.

Also, please forward this request to other interested parties in the community.

Kind Regards, Scott Faulk Transportation Industry Analyst U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE Washington, DC 20590